

1 No one who provides written comment need
2 address this -- this meeting orally. And, as I've
3 previously mentioned, we will leave a time period open
4 for the remainder of the week for any written comments
5 that you want to submit.

6 Next, we would like to hear from those who
7 have submitted written comments and wish to speak
8 further, again only if they wish to do so. These would
9 be the people whose names I haven't mentioned but who
10 have turned in written comments.

11 And, finally, we'd like to allow for comments
12 from any others as time permits. And certainly, before
13 the close of the meeting tonight, we will also leave
14 some time for a statement by the applicant in response
15 to any comments they've heard tonight.

16 Although I don't want to set specific time
17 limits for each person, I would ask you to be succinct
18 and to summarize your comments as quickly as you can.

19 I believe that you should be able to do this
20 within a window of about five minutes each, recognizing
21 that we may have many persons who wish to comment.

22 If I do sense an individual's comments are
23 running long, then I'll ask you to conclude very
24 quickly.

25 I'd also encourage you to contact these

1 Does she need to use the microphone?

2 MS. BURTON: Just to make -- make it clear, a
3 lot of the commenters that we received comments from are
4 aware of the BLM's current environmental impact
5 statement that they are writing on a federal lease that
6 is adjacent to this privately held coal that the
7 Division is currently permitting.

8 So that is a -- is a separate issue, and
9 you'll have an opportunity to comment on that when it --
10 when the BLM environmental impact statement comes out in
11 draft form.

12 So what was before the Division -- or is
13 before the Division and what was noticed in the public
14 notice is a -- an application for a -- a mine on private
15 land.

16 And the coal is held in -- in private --
17 privately owned coal, which we refer to as fee coal.
18 It's 635 acres, and it's in Township 39 South, Range 5
19 West, Sections 19, 20, 30 and 29. And that's just south
20 of Alton.

21 Also wanted to mention that these six volumes
22 over here are available on our website, and I've written
23 the website on the -- the blackboard inside that room
24 where I've written the website.

25 The website's also stapled to the public

1 Division staff members after this informal conference
2 with any specific questions that you might have.

3 As we close the meeting tonight, we'll
4 certainly have a few minutes while we're cleaning up and
5 taking down chairs. And if you want to visit with any
6 of the staff members, we'll be around as long as we can
7 to answer your questions.

8 It probably would not be reasonable during
9 this meeting to try to have a dialog with individuals
10 while we have others who may be waiting for comment.

11 So, having said all this, let's now proceed
12 and turn the time over to Priscilla, and we'll organize
13 our comments -- public comments as I've indicated.

14 MS. BURTON: I've come with a few handouts
15 that you're welcome to come up after -- after we've
16 taken comments and -- and take home with you.

17 One is a -- a fact sheet on the Coal Hollow
18 Mine, and this is information that is boiled down from
19 those six volumes over there (indicating), which is the
20 mine application.

21 And the other paper is a -- a diagram of the
22 relocation of the road, and we'll go over that in a
23 minute. And then I've got some cards up here if you --
24 if you want to pick up my card.

25 DIRECTOR BAZA: Can everyone hear Priscilla?

1 notice, which was in the Southern Paiute News in March
2 and April. And so it's on the wall up there.

3 So you can log on to that website. You have
4 to use a password and log in, and the password and log
5 in are both ogmguest.

6 And so these maps on the wall display, first
7 of all the location --

8 THE REPORTER: Excuse me.

9 DIRECTOR BAZA: Yeah. She cannot hear you.
10 Do you want to use the microphone?

11 MS. BURTON: So the topographic map shows the
12 location. I was going to start down there, Wayne, and
13 just point out Sink Valley southeast of Alton.

14 MR. WESTERN: The valley is here, and this is
15 Lower Rock Creek in here, and the Town of Alton is here
16 (indicating).

17 MS. BURTON: And then the next map is drawing
18 1-1 area permit and application, and it shows you the
19 same area but on a little larger scale.

20 And the area in pink is the -- the permit area
21 that the Alton Coal Development is applying for a permit
22 for.

23 And -- and then the following map, which is
24 drawing 5-2, shows the progression of mining with year
25 one mining in green and year two mining in brown, and